



# LITERALLY SPEAKING...

The Newsletter of the York County Public Library

## Second Saturdays at Seven Concerts in March and April

In March, the York County Public Library's Second Saturdays at Seven Concert Series welcomes Sheryl Warner and the Southside Homewreckers to the Tabb Library. The March 10 performance highlights *Virginia Roots Music*. The show pays tribute to some of the most important musical traditions of Virginia during the 1920s and 1930s, focusing on the jubilee-style gospel quartets of Tidewater Virginia, the string-band music of southwestern Virginia, and the Piedmont or East Coast blues style.

You'll enjoy the rich, expressive voice of vocalist Sheryl Warner, described by *Dirty Linen* as "One of the most expressive and powerful voices in blues today." Guitarist and banjoist Gregg Kimball created the show which combines his skills as a performer, historian, and educator to create a stirring performance that is both entertaining and educational. Virginia fiddler champion Mark Campbell will wow you with his traditional old-time fiddling

style. Joining the group for this special performance will be Mark's daughter, Mauren Campbell, a junior at the Maggie L. Walker Regional Governor's School. Playing cello and singing, Mauren brings life to the ballads and songs of classic old-time groups such as the Carter Family.

Kent Ippolito and Claudia Emerson with Stony Man will perform on April 14. Singer/songwriter Kent Ippolito has performed with rock, bluegrass, folk, and jazz groups for more

than 25 years. He plays guitar, mandola, mandocello, and mandolin. Joining Kent to round out Stony Man is Henry Hubbard on bass and guitar, and Stuart Whitford on dobro, mandolin, and guitar.

Claudia Emerson has been writing songs and performing with her husband, Kent Ippolito since 2002. Not only is she a talented musician, Claudia is also the recipient of the 2006 Pulitzer Prize in Poetry for her book, *Late Wife*, an account of the break-up of her marriage, healing, and her marriage to Kent. Claudia will read several poetry selections during the performance, too.

Join us for a delightful evening of music at the Tabb Library on the second Saturday of the month at 7:00 PM. Performances are free of charge and open to the public. Call the Library at 890-5120 for more information.



Claudia Emerson and Kent Ippolito

## Literary Competition

Winners of the Second Annual Juried Literary Competition for Poetry and Short Stories will be announced on March 22. Join us on Wednesday, April 18 at 7:00 PM in the Tabb Library meeting room for the Winners' Reception and Public Reading. Funding is provided by the Friends of the Library.

## Old Dominion Songsters Exhibition

The York County Public Library is pleased to host *Old Dominion Songsters: Traditional Blues in Virginia*, an exhibition on loan from the Library of Virginia, from April 6 - June 29. Using rare photographs and images of important blues recordings, *Old Dominion Songsters* offers biographies of many Virginia blues legends. The exhibit also examines the social aspects of blues music in Virginia.

## Silver Screen Cinema Series

Join us at the Yorktown Library for our Silver Screen Cinema Series of classic movies. Movies are shown on the second Wednesday of each month at 4 PM.

The 1954 film, *Brigadoon*, starring Gene Kelly, Van Johnson and Cyd Charisse will be the feature film on March 14. Directed by Vincente Minnelli, this musical tells the story of two hunters who happen upon a mysterious Scottish village which appears for only one day every hundred years. Come and experience a genre of Hollywood

movie that many consider a lost art form.

The feature film on April 11 will be *Rooster Cogburn (...and the Lady)*, starring John Wayne and Katherine Hepburn. In this classic 1975 western, John Wayne reprises his role as the one-eyed marshal, Rooster Cogburn, from *True Grit*. He unwillingly teams up with Eula Goodnight (Hepburn) to find her father's killer.

For more information about the Silver Screen Cinema Series, contact the Programs Director at 890-5121.

## Virginia Electronic Filing Workshop

The Virginia Department of Taxation is conducting a seminar on "How to File Virginia Individual Income Tax Returns Electronically." Ann Thomas, York County Commissioner of the Revenue, will present the seminar at the Tabb Library on Thursday, March 8, 2007, at 7:00 PM. The seminar is open to any interested taxpayer regardless of computer skills. Call 757-890-5120 to register.

If you are unable to attend the seminar, visit the Virginia Department of Taxation's website, <http://www.tax.virginia.gov>, for a list of other seminar dates and locations. A PowerPoint presentation describing the electronic filing process is also available on the Department of Taxation's website.

## Academy Award Nominated Movies

The 79th Academy Award nominations are out and winners have been announced. Did you know that many of the nominated movies are already available on DVD at your York County Public Library? We have *Babel*, *Cars*, *The Devil Wears Prada*, *Little Miss Sunshine*, *Monster House*, and *United 93*. *The Departed*, *Half Nelson*, and *Marie Antoinette* are on order and should be available to patrons in late March. As

nominees in the Best Picture, Director, Actor, Actress, Supporting Actor, and Supporting Actress categories are released on DVD, we'll add them to our collection.

We also invite you to check out our extensive collection of prior Academy Award winners and nominees from the 1929-1930 Best Picture winner, *All Quiet on the Western Front*, to the 2005 Best Picture winner, *Crash*.

## Friends of the Library Spring Book Sale

The Friends of the York County Public Library are having their Spring Book Sale April 27-29 in the Yorktown Library meeting room. On Friday, April 27, the sale is open from 4-7 PM to members of the Friends of the Library. The sale is open to the public on April 28 from 10 AM to 5 PM and April 29 from 1-5 PM. Reference, childrens and adult books, DVDs, and CDs will be available. Most items are priced between 50 cents and \$3.

The Friends welcome donations of new and gently used books, CDs, DVDs, VHS tapes, and audio cassettes year-round. Donations are accepted inside at the circulation desk during library hours. Bring your donations in grocery bags and boxes. File-sized boxes are best so they're not too heavy for us to lift.

For more information about the Friends of the York County Public Library, call the YCPL at 890-5120.

## Battle of the Books County Competition

### Grades 6-8

Wed, March 7 at 7:00 PM  
Tabb Library Meeting Room

### Grades 4-5

Thur, March 8 at 7:00 PM  
Coventry Elem. School

## Peninsula Regional Battle

Sat, March 24 at 10:30 AM  
Fri, March 30 at 7:00 PM  
Williamsburg Regional Library

## National Library Week

Join us on April 14 at 1:30 PM to celebrate National Library Week at a special Saturday Story Time about reading and libraries. No registration is required. Recommended for ages 4 and older.

### Tiny Tales

Ages 6 to 14 months  
Tues 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM

### Toddler Tales

Ages 15 to 30 months  
Tues 10:15 AM - 10:45 AM  
Wed 10:15 AM - 10:45 AM  
Wed 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM  
Thur 10:15 AM - 10:45 AM

### Registration Begins

**Monday, April 16, 10:00 AM**  
**at the Tabb Library**  
**Youth Services Desk**  
**or by phone at 890-5110**

**Session starts April 24**  
**and runs for 5 weeks**

### Preschool Story Times

**April 25 - May 24**

#### Yorktown

Wed 10:15 AM Ages 2½ - K

#### Tabb

Wed 10:15 AM Ages 2½ - 3½  
Wed 1:00 PM Ages 2½ - K  
Thur 10:15 AM Ages 2½ - 3½  
Thur 11:15 AM Ages 3½ - K

### Registration Begins

**Tuesday, April 17, 10:00 AM**  
**Walk-in or Call**  
**Tabb (890-5110)**  
**Yorktown (890-3236)**

## Exceptional Web Sites for Children

The Association for Library Service to Children (ALSC), a division of the American Library Association, recently announced 2006 additions to Great Web Sites for Kids (GWS).

"Each year, GWS Committee members review close to five hundred Web sites for children aged birth to 14, in search of sites that are outstanding in content and conception," said Maren Ostergard, co-chair of the GWS Committee and an early literacy/outreach librarian at King County (Wa.) Library System. "To make the cut and appear on the Great Web sites for Kids, a site must be of especially commendable quality, and reflect and encourage young people's interests in exemplary ways."

The following sites are just a sample of the 43 web sites added in 2006. For a complete listing, visit the American Library Association web site cited below.

- 4Kids.org - <http://4kids.org>
- Animal Corner - [www.animalcorner.co.uk](http://www.animalcorner.co.uk)
- Backyard Nature - [www.backyardnature.net](http://www.backyardnature.net)
- Brain Teasers - [www.eduplace.com/math/brain/](http://www.eduplace.com/math/brain/)
- CivilWar@Smithsonian - <http://civilwar.si.edu/home.html>
- EPA Environmental Kids Club - [www.epa.gov/kids](http://www.epa.gov/kids)
- Highlightskids.com - [www.highlightskids.com](http://www.highlightskids.com)
- Kidspace@ the Internet Public Library - [www.ipl.org/div/kidspace](http://www.ipl.org/div/kidspace)
- Maze Works - <http://mazeworks.com>
- Nickelodeon Jr. - [www.nickjr.com](http://www.nickjr.com)
- PBS Kids Go! - <http://pbskids.org/go/>
- Storyplace en Espanol - [www.storyplace.org/sp/storyplace.asp](http://www.storyplace.org/sp/storyplace.asp)
- Time for Kids - [www.timeforkids.com/TFK/](http://www.timeforkids.com/TFK/)
- Yahoooligans! - [www.yahoooligans.com](http://www.yahoooligans.com)

Excerpt from: "ALSC Announces Exceptional Web Sites for Children." American Library Association. 2007. <http://www.ala.org/ala/pressreleases2007/january2007/gws07.htm>.

## Read Across America

On Saturday, March 3, the Youth Services Department will host a Dr. Seuss celebration in the Children's area at the Tabb Library. We'll celebrate the birthday of Dr. Seuss and the 50th birthday of *The Cat in the Hat*. Join us for activities, prizes, and fun at 10:30 AM!





## Find It Virginia

One of the online resources available to York County Public Library patrons is Find It Virginia, a collection of databases available to all Virginians. You can access the Find It Virginia through the Library's web site or at <http://www.finditva.com>. Just select York County Public Library from the drop-down menu and enter your library card number.

Seventeen databases are currently available through Find It Virginia. Three excellent resources that York County students should become ac-

quainted with are the Contemporary Literary Criticism, Biography Resource Center, and Expanded Academic ASAP databases.

If your English teacher asks for an analysis of the character Santiago in *The Old Man and the Sea* by Ernest Hemingway, the Contemporary Literary Criticism database contains more than 11,000 critical essays on contemporary authors, including Hemingway. You'll find a biographical/critical introduction, information on principal works, and additional sources.

If the deadline is looming for your biography of Gregor Mendel, the father of genetics, check out the Biography Resource Center. You'll find biographical essays, full-text magazine articles, and links to web sites about the person's life and works.

The Expanded Academic ASAP database is the most comprehensive tool available covering all academic disciplines from biology and history to marketing and music. Access scholarly journals, national news periodicals, and general interest magazines.

Find It Virginia is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. All you need is your library card and internet access. Check it out on our web site, <http://www.yorkcounty.gov/library>, or ask our reference staff for assistance.



## Battle of the Books

Fourth and fifth grade Battle of the Books competitors wait expectantly to buzz-in for a chance to answer questions during practice sessions at the Tabb Library. From left to right: Jillian Matheson, Seaford; Rebecca Soistmann, Mt. Vernon; Hope Sears, Mt. Vernon; Paige Hartian, Mt. Vernon; Celia Naser, Bethel Manor; Ashley Walter, Bethel Manor.

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### HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday—Thursday	10 AM–9 PM
Friday	10 AM–6 PM
Saturday	10 AM–5 PM
Sunday	1 PM–5 PM

Visit the Library's web site  
<http://www.yorkcounty.gov/library/>

Enjoy story time at home...FREE!  
DIAL-A-STORY 890-5111

### Tabb Library

100 Long Green Boulevard  
Yorktown, VA 23693  
(at Hampton Hwy. & Long Green Blvd.)

Library Information	890-5100
Administration	890-5105
Circulation Desk	890-5130
Adult Services Desk	890-5120
Youth Services Desk	890-5110

### Yorktown Library

8500 George Washington Mem. Highway  
Yorktown, VA 23692  
(at US Rt. 17 & Battle Rd.)

Library Information	890-3377
Circulation Desk	890-5209
Adult Services Desk	890-5207
Youth Services Desk	890-3236